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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph appearing on page 6, lines 5-12, with the following paragraph:

Content provider module 110 comprises a real-time encoder 122, an off-line encoder 144 124, a personal computer 126, and an authoring console 128. Real-time encoder 122 includes, for example, a Lucent SE-1TM digital video system manufactured by Lucent Technologies, Inc. Real-time encoder 122 compresses video streams in Motion Picture Experts Group-2 (MPEG-2) format at a rate of 1.5 to 15 Mbps. An input of real-time encoder 122 may receive real-time video, such as video from a video conference or a live broadcast. An output of real-time encoder 122 connects to video server module 140, which stores the compressed video for real-time or off-line transmission to set top boxes 182₁-182_M or personal computers 186₁-186_M.